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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CUBAN INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA

1. FONMIN FACIO TOLD ME TODAY, JANUARY 30, THAT DURING HIS VISIT TO PANAMA HE TRIED TO PERSUADE HIS COLLEAGUES FROM PANAMA, COLOMBIA AND VENEZUELA TO JOIN HIM IN A STRONG STATEMENT CRITICIZING CUBAN INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA. PANAMA WAS INCLINED TO GO ALONG, ACCORDING TO FACIO, AND COLOMBIA ALSO SEEMED WILLING THOUGH HESITANT, BUT VENEZUELA DEMURRED IN THE ABSENCE OF INSTRUCTION FROM CARACAS.

2. FACIO PROCEEDED TO MAKE QUITE A STRONG STATEMENT HIMSELF WHICH HAS BEEN REPORTED HERE BY THE WIRE SERVICES.IYXTJKS LW DRAFTING A PROPOSED JOINT STATEMENT FOR CONSIDERATION BY OTHER LA COUNTRIES WHICH MAY BE MORE GENERAL IN CONDEMNING FOREIGN INTERVENTION RATHER THAN SPECIFIC ON CUBA IN ANGOLA.

3. FACIO SAID THAT PANAMA IS ESPECIALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
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POTENTIAL DANGER OF FUTURE CUBAN ADVENTURES AT SOVIET BEHEST

WHICH MIGHT AFFECT THE CANAL. TODMAN

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